

Nebraska

CORN IMPROVERS FIRST TO MEET OF FARM SOCIETIES

First Day's Sessions of Organized Agriculture Bring Vanguard of Big Group to Capital City.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Today was preliminary for the meetings of organized agriculture this week in Lincoln. Those who did meet confined themselves mostly to hearing reports of officers, though the Corn Improvers association started in with an early session. Most of the addresses made were by local men in the morning, but later the program called for an address on influencing the yield of corn made by C. G. Williams of the agricultural experiment station of Ohio. In the evening the association of county and state and district farmers held its annual banquet at the Commercial club in which speeches were made by several of the discussions taking a sort of round table nature. Speaker George Jackson is president of the association and State Auditor W. H. Smith, the secretary. The state florists held a session in the afternoon ending with a banquet at the Lindell in the evening. Home economics, state horticulture, ice cream, sheep and one or two other associations held meetings to start things going. Tomorrow and Thursday will be the big days of the week's activities.

Farmers Near Kearney Suffer Stock Losses; Fear I. W. W.s

Kearney, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Kearney business men are looking for the return of a man named Orr, who operated a restaurant here for a short time and recently took leave over night. Prior to leaving he went about town with a nice new check book and paid all his bills in full, in some cases taking his receipt and also a little change. He has not returned, but the checks are back, marked "No funds." He stung one butcher for \$200 and any number of men hold checks for \$20 and upwards. Farmers here have been warned to guard against possible activities of the Industrial Workers of the World or pro-German agitators who, it is feared, are making an organized effort to curtail stock breeding in this vicinity by the poisoning of cattle and hogs. It is stated that concentrated lye and roach poison are used, sprinkled in the foods of stock. Lye on rock salt causes mouth sores, ulcers in the stomach and foot rot, and farmers seeing such symptoms find they are similar to foot and mouth disease. Muratic acid and nitric acid fed in bran causes death of hogs and leaves the appearance of hog cholera. Two cases of hogs dying from unknown cause were brought to the attention of Dr. A. H. Francis, federal veterinarian here. He was unable to make a diagnosis and forwarded the stomachs to Kansas City, but they were returned without cause of death being fixed, other than poisoning. This has caused local farmers to become suspicious, fearing that the poison plot movement has already been launched in this vicinity.

Nelson Red Cross Sale Nets More Than \$2,000

Nelson, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The Red Cross and Young Men's Christian association combination sale held here Monday was a signal success. The total receipts were \$2,360. An ax brought \$335, while a fox terrier puppy was anxiously sought after by the female attendants at the sale. A dozen society women competed in a brisk contest and added nearly \$100 dollars to the fund. A calf sold for \$230. The proceeds are to be divided between the Red Cross fund and the Young Men's Christian association war fund. A Young Men's Christian association banquet was held last night for the organization of the rural work in Nuckolls county.

Fire Again Causes Damage To Shelby Hotel at Osceola

Osceola, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Fire starting from a defective flue in the Shelby hotel Monday morning destroyed the roof of the building and much of the contents were damaged by water and smoke. This is the second time that the same building has been on fire within the last month and each time the fire was supposed to have originated in the same manner. Osceola churches are joining together and saving on the fuel consumed during the present cold season. Both the Baptist and Presbyterian churches are now closed except for Sunday school meetings in the small annex rooms and the congregations are uniting in the meetings held in the Methodist church.

Oconto Woman Injured In Fall On Icy Sidewalk

Oconto, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Mrs. Iris B. Hinchberger fell on the icy sidewalk here yesterday and broke both bones in the left arm just before the wrist. The large kerosene engine for the electric light plant has arrived and is being installed. The extreme cold weather here has been broken. This morning the temperature was only 12 degrees below zero. Thermometers registered as low as 33 degrees below zero during the coldest days. Luckily, the coal situation was good, as only a few days before the coldest weather local dealers received a supply.

Spencer's New Butter Factory Has Good Prospects

Spencer, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The Spencer co-operative butter factory opened for business Monday morning with a capacity of 1,000 pounds of butter per day. W. A. Pennell of Minnesota is butter maker. The capital is \$6,800, all paid up.

Ogallala Soldier Cables Father From Battle Zone

Ogallala, Neb., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Lorraine Scarle of this place, with the American army in France, is a member of the ambulance corps. His father, E. M. Scarle, jr., received a cable saying he is well and feeling fine.

MANY TO SPEAK AT BIG WAR MEETING

Distinguished Men to Address Two-Day Conference at Lincoln; Reception Committee Makes Plans.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—A reception committee of 20 was announced today to meet the speakers, sent by the government, who arrive Friday morning to speak at the mass meeting that night of the two-day Nebraska War conference—the Rt. Hon. Frederick E. Smith, Bart., President George E. Vincent of the Rockefeller foundation, formerly president of the University of Minnesota, and Director A. E. Bester of the speaking division of the Committee on Public Information. The members are as follows: Governor Keith Neville, Lieutenant Governor Edgar Howard, Chairman R. M. Joyce, State Council of Defense, Vice-Chairman George Coupland, State Council of Defense, Richard L. Metcalfe, Omaha, State Council of Defense, Prof. M. M. Fogg, director, bureau of speakers and publicity, State Council of Defense; state chairman Division of Four-Minute men, United States committee on public information.

John L. Kennedy, federal fuel administrator for Nebraska, Adjutant General G. E. Clapp, Chief Justice A. M. Morrissey, supreme court, Mayor J. E. Miller, Arthur C. Wakely, Omaha, president Nebraska State Bar association, Jesse B. Strode, president Lancaster County Bar association, Chancellor Samuel Avery, University of Nebraska, Dean W. G. Hastings, University College of Law, Regent E. P. Brown, chairman, Lancaster County Council of Defense, Chairman W. D. McHugh, Douglas County Council of Defense, Regent P. L. Hall, President B. A. George, Lincoln Commercial club, Chairman W. E. Hardy, Lincoln chapter of the Red Cross.

NO NATIONAL GUARD IN STATE; NONE IN SIGHT

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Artemas Ward's celebrated regiment consisting of 999 officers and one private is being duplicated in the National Guard of this state at the present time. With the death of the Seventh regiment, nothing is left of the Nebraska guard but the adjutant general and his staff, which consists of one general, five majors, one captain, one sergeant and two stenographers. There is no authority to organize companies of the National Guard because the War department by its action in the case of the Seventh regiment, will not recognize any such organization. The National Guard now consists of Hugh E. Clapp, adjutant general; A. D. Fetterman of Hyannis, inspector general; John G. Lawlor of Hastings, judge advocate; J. T. Hollingsworth of Omaha, chief of ordinance; M. B. Russell of Lincoln, quartermaster; E. O. Weber of Wahoo, major medical corps; J. R. Ervin, Lincoln, captain in quartermaster's department; O. McCullough sergeant and custodian, state arsenal, and two young women stenographers. General Clapp, as a member of the State Council of Defense, has taken the task of organizing companies of home guards and hopes to inaugurate some sort of system which will make these companies effective for home protection.

Funeral Services Held For Well Known Stella Woman

Stella, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The funeral of Mrs. Sash Reynolds was held at the home Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. John C. Hensley of the Lutheran church officiated. Interment was in Stella cemetery. Mr. Reynolds and one daughter, Mrs. Sidney Turk of St. Louis, survive. C. H. Thomas of Lincoln is a brother, and the sisters are Mrs. J. H. Overman of Stella and Mrs. T. E. Wilson of Memphis, Tenn.

Woman Named Clerk Of the County of Gage

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The county board of supervisors this evening appointed Mrs. J. B. Penrod county clerk to succeed E. M. Burnham, who resigned last week. Mrs. Penrod has been deputy county clerk for a number of years.

Hampton Boy Dies at Cody

Camp Cody, N. M., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The body of Private Allen W. Hutsell, Company H, 134th infantry, Fifth Nebraska, who died at the base hospital here of meningitis, will be sent to Hampton, Neb., the soldiers' home, where his father, Uriah Hutsell, lives.

New City Hall in Hastings

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Tentative plans have been presented for a new city hall in Hastings to cost over \$100,000. It is proposed to erect the building this year.

FIREMEN GATHER FOR FREMONT MEET

Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention of Nebraska Volunteer Fire Fighters Has Initial Session.

Fremont, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The 36th annual convention of the Nebraska Volunteer Firemen's association opened here this evening when President George F. Wolz of the Commercial club, in the absence from the city of Mayor W. C. Wiley, welcomed visiting firemen. Harry Hauser of Fremont, president of the association, responded. A dance and athletic program at Hotel Pathfinder, headquarters for the firemen, wound up the opening festivities.

Special entertainment at Fremont theaters has been provided for tomorrow evening. Governor Neville will be the speaker at the banquet Thursday evening. First Vice President Guthrie of Alliance was among the early arrivals Tuesday afternoon. He is in line for the presidency to succeed Harry Hauser of Fremont.

Fremont Boy in Air

Charles Green, a Fremont boy who enlisted as a mechanic in the aviation service last spring, writes to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Green, of Fremont, from Camp Hicks, near Fort Worth, Tex., that he took a trip of over 200 miles into Oklahoma and returned one day recently. Young Green drove the machine part of the time himself, guiding it from a height of 1,000 to 8,000 feet and then volplaning back to earth. They made two landings on the trip to replenish their supply of gas.

Frank Winkelman Dead

Frank E. Winkelman, a popular conductor of railroads centering in Omaha when he ran a Union Pacific train between Grand Island and Sidney several years ago, died at his home here following an illness of several months' duration. After quitting the road Mr. Winkelman served for 17 years as yardmaster at Sidney for the Union Pacific. He was a native of Pennsylvania and was 59 years of age. A wife and five children are the close surviving relatives.

Colonel Corrick Becomes Owner of Classy Oil Well

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Colonel Frank P. Corrick, a year ago invested in several thousand acres through leases in the vicinity of Durant, Okl., and was elected president of the Blue Bell Oil Company. A little hard luck struck his first attempts, but he stuck to it and last week struck a 100-barrel well at a depth of 300 feet. This is said to be pretty classy for shallow wells, but what adds to the value of the well is the quality of the oil which is said to be top notch. Experts say that it is likely to result in a gusher if boring is continued, the quality of the material in which the well was struck, indicating a heavy vein underneath. Kansas City papers speak of the well as one of the best in the Oklahoma oil fields.

Omahans Boost Armenian Relief at Norfolk Meets

Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The cause of Armenian and Syrian relief was presented at public meetings here Sunday by two Omaha citizens, William F. Baxter and Rev. Ralph Houseman. These men spoke at the Congregational, Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran and Omaha Avenue Congregational churches. A campaign for \$2,000 will be made this week under the leadership of the Omaha committee, with David Reese chairman, L. M. Huntington, secretary, and Leo Pasewalk, secretary-treasurer.

Push War Savings

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Hastings and Adams counties are making long strides in the war savings stamp drive. Pauline, a town of 200 population, has pledged \$11,000, and the staff of attendants of Ingleside (State Hospital for Insane) more than \$10,000. Hastings expects to go over the quarter-million mark.

Northwestern Must Appear

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The State Railway commission has cited the Northwestern railway to come before the commission and show why it has discontinued the car distribution rules set forth by the commission. The hearing will be had next Friday.

Section Man Killed

Shenandoah, Ia., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Chester A. Layton, 35 years old, was run over in the railroad yards this morning and died on the way to the station. He was a section hand. His wife has been a patient in the state hospital for the insane at Clarinda two years.

Investigate Increase In Stockyard Capital

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 15.—Testimony that the capital stock of the South St. Paul Stock Yards company was raised from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 when the Swifts agreed to build their plant there was given at today's session of the federal trade commission's hearing by A. A. McKechnie, nine years secretary of the stock yards company. The extra stock, he said, had been given to the Swifts. His verbal testimony was interrupted while Francis J. Heney, counsel for the commission, investigated books and records Mr. McKechnie brought in.

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